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ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR  
FOR ENFORCEMENT AND  
COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

Dear Ms. Ogletree:

As you know, my letter of March 17, 2000 announced that I would exercise enforcement discretion and not enforce the prohibition regarding the sale or distribution of conventional gasoline in the St Louis reformulated gasoline (RFG) covered area until April 3, 2000. I now am extending this exercise of enforcement discretion through April 5, 2000.

Enforcement discretion relief was granted because deliveries of RFG to St Louis were disrupted due to a shut down of the Explorer Pipeline, which supplies a significant portion of gasoline to the St Louis market. The original termination date of April 3 was based on our understanding that a large supply of RFG would arrive in St Louis on the Explorer Pipeline on April 1. However, we now have been informed that this RFG shipment will not arrive in St Louis until April 3 and will not be fully distributed to terminals in St Louis until April 4. The time extension of enforcement discretion relief through April 5 will allow this RFG to become available before the relief expires.

This enforcement discretion relief is subject to the same conditions that are described in my March 17, 2000 letter. Beginning May 1 all terminals must be in compliance with all applicable RFG standards, and beginning June 1 all retail outlets and wholesale purchaser-consumers must be in compliance with all applicable RFG standards. In addition, distributors must use reasonable efforts to distribute RFG instead of conventional gasoline where RFG is available.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. George Lawrence of my staff at 202-564-1307.

Sincerely,

  
Steven A. Herman



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